HELEN M. KAREIVA, 50 Year member, Charter Member, Past President also Life Membership granted by the Darius-Girenas Aux. Unit 271. for her dedication and performance of duties in a long range of Elective Offices and chairmanships.

During the Second World Was, Dept. of Illinois added a new program to be called the Red Cross in order to promote the Surgical Dressings Program and War Fund Drive.

It was a recommendation from the Board to implement a Red Cross Unit, Helen M. Kareiva accepted to be chairman of this Unit.

On Feb. 20, 1942, a meeting was called with the assistance of Mrs. J. Dauzvardis, consul of Lithuania, and members of the Auxiliary including non members, attendance was 104 women.

Mrs. Martha Lipski was appointed as co-chairman also Mrs. Anne Yonaitis as co-chairman.

For 3 1/2 years the women met every Tuesday to make surgical dressings Then knitted socks, scarfs, mittens and afghans for the boys in service. During the War Fund Drive which was every month of March. Helen M.Kareiva approached the Darius-Girenas Post 271 for a donation. It was granted and presented to Helen M. Kareiva, a check for one thousand dollars (1,000.00). Then she gave talks to various organizations and succeeded in obtaining donations. A total of 11,692.58 was donated to the Red Cross War Fund Drive as of March 1945.

Under the Red Cross Program we had classes for Home Nursing- 94 members participated. First Aid Classes- 83 members pafticipated and graduated. Members made stuffed animals and dolls for children of service-men as a gift for Christmas.

Helen M. Kareiva was 1st Viee-Pres. twice- Membership chairman and recruited the most members in the Aux. during her duty as membership chairman.

Helen Kareiva
Past Pres.

1953

Commander Steve Gay - 1953
President Harriet Kamin - 1953

NEW COMMANDER AND MADAME PRESIDENT

Harriett M. Kamin, President of the Auxiliary Unit and Stephen G. Gay, Commander of Darius-Girenas Post, who assumed office in impressive installation ceremonies in our Headquarters on Sunday, September 21, 1952.